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## Covanta declares Chapter 11 bankruptcy Burney Mountain Power will continue to operate; 3MP still in doubt

It was no April Fools joke when Covanta Energy Corporation announced Monday it had filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection.

The company, owners of Burney Mountain Power and the planned Three Mountain Power project,

is seeking to divest itself of non-energy assets in aviation and the entertainment industry.

Burney Mountain Power will continue to operate, said Danielle Tinman, spokesperson for Covanta and speaking from San Francisco.

"We do expect to emerge (from bankruptcy) as a stronger company," she said.

What is not known at this time is the fate of the planned Three Mountain Power natural-gas-fired power plant, which was scheduled to be

built this spring.

The state's energy demands have subsided, leaving little incentive for companies to build new plants.

The fate of Three Mountain Power will also be discussed as part

of Covanta's plan of reorganization.

In connection with the bankruptcy filing, Covanta obtained \$463 million bank financing to meet its ongoing cash needs.

Another \$225 million is expected to be supplied to Covanta from the investment firm of Kohlberg Kravis Roberts & Company (KKR).

Covanta and the investment firm have entered into a non-binding letter of intent which, if both parties agree, would allow KKR to acquire Covanta upon its emergence from Chapter 11.

Such a move would most likely change the company from a publicly traded company (NYSE:COV) to a privately held one.

Covanta has been attempting to sell its non-energy assets, including the Corel Centre arena, home of the Ottawa (Canadian) Senators and The Duck Pond hockey arena in Anaheim, home of the Mighty Ducks.

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### What's Happening Locally This Week

#### Spring forward

It's time to move the clocks ahead one hour on Sunday to observe Daylight Savings Time, which begins each year at 2 a.m. on the first Sunday in April and ends at 2 a.m. on the last Sunday in October. Daylight Savings Time was first observed in the U.S. during World War I, and then again during World II, according to The World Almanac and Book of Facts, published by PrimeMedia Reference Inc. In 1966, Congress passed the Uniform Time Act, which provided that any state or territory that chooses to observe Daylight Savings Time must begin and end on the federal dates. Currently, Arizona, Hawaii, the eastern time zone portion of Indiana, Puerto Rico the U.S. Virgin Islands and American Samoa do not observe Daylight Savings Time.

#### Library dinner

A few tickets still remain for Sunday's International Literary Dinner, 5 p.m., at the Vets Hall in Burney. Telephone the library for ticket information, 335-4317.

#### Baseball clinic

A baseball/softball clinic is set for Sunday at the Intermountain Fairgrounds, at noon to 4 p.m. Cost \$10. Telephone 336-6705, 336-5546, or 336-5998.

### WEATHER

#### FORECAST

**Today**, sunny with highs from the middle to upper 70s in the Burney and Fall River, McArthur and Big Valley areas. **Tonight**, mostly clear with lows 25 to 30 throughout the Intermountain area. **Thursday**, partly cloudy and cooler around Burney, mostly sunny in the Big Valley area. Highs 65 to 70 in Burney, around 70 in Big Valley. **Friday**, a chance of showers, snow possible at higher elevations. Lows near 35 and highs 50-55. **Saturday-Monday**, mostly cloudy, but dry. Lows in the upper 20s in Burney and in the 30s in Big Valley. Highs in the 50s around Bieber and 60-65 in Burney. A current forecast is updated about 4 a.m. and 4 p.m. daily on The News web site at www.im-news.com.

#### TEMPERATURES

	Hi	Low	Rain
March 26	NA	NA	
March 27	67	22	
March 28	73	27	
March 29	75	27	
March 30	77	27	
March 31	79	26	
April 1	82	27	

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NEWS PHOTO

### Bearly an egg in sight

Austin Kaczorowski, 1-1/2 years old, meets up with Pooh Bear after Sunday's Easter egg hunt at Burney High School and sponsored by the Burney Lions Club. More than 100 dozen eggs were there for the finding by children through the sixth grade. Austin is the son of Michelle and Darrin Kaczorowski of Burney.

## Prop. 10 monies to aid Burney library

BY MEG FOX

Intermountain area toddlers and their parents are among the beneficiaries of a recent \$280,000 grant given to the Shasta County Library to provide a Family Place Library at the branches in Anderson, Redding

and Burney.

"It's a new concept in the library world," said Betsy Emry, assistant director of Shasta County Libraries in Redding.

Middle Country Public Library on Long Island, N.Y. is the national

model for the Family Place Library, a program that was developed on the premise that libraries can help build healthy communities.

The goal is "to provide a welcoming and supportive environment that promotes a healthy child, family

literacy, and access to community services," according to the Middle Country Library.

The Shasta County Library system is the first in the state to take part in this national initiative.

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## Wyoming man to lead F.R. district

A superintendent for the Sweetwater County School District No. 2 in Wyoming was named Tuesday night to lead the Fall River Joint Unified School District.

Eric Newton of Green River, Wyo., was named to replace Ernest Graham who resigned effective June 30. Board president Nancy Sisk said the sudden announcement was based on a recommendation by the board's search consultant, Dr. Dan Dodds of Zampi and Associates of San Diego.

Sisk said last week the trustees would name the superintendent at the district's regularly scheduled meeting April 17, but moved up the date by two weeks.

The selection process "went a lot smoother and quicker," she said.

## Showcase for children, free new-parent kits Thursday

The Shasta Children and Families First Commission are scheduled to join child development experts, health care officials, parents and children to cite the progress made by six eastern Shasta County programs helping children through age 5 and their families.

The group, in partnership with Mayers Memorial Hospital, will also launch distribution of the free Kit for New Parents.

The kit is a package of resource information and tips to help new parents raise children who are healthy, learning and ready to reach their greatest potential, according to a printed note from debbie Peel, program coordinator.

The showcase and distribution of kits is set for Thursday, 10:30-11 a.m. at the Intermountain Community Center, 37477 Main St.

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## SHERIFF'S LOG BOOK

A fight between two women was reported Sunday at 7:39 p.m. at the 18600 block of Doty Road in Hat Creek.

A dog was reportedly chasing other animals in the area of the 40700 block of Old School Road in Glenburn Sunday afternoon.

An Intermountain area caller reported Sunday at 1:04 a.m. two subjects had taken pool table balls, chips and soda from an undisclosed location.

Michael Rowland reported Saturday being out of town and when he arrived home found an unknown subject had been staying in his residence.

Deputies arrested Sunney McNabb Saturday at 8:41 p.m. near Woodhill in Montgomery Creek for allegedly obstructing a peace officer and driving with a suspended or revoked license.

Deputies responded to the 25500 block of Glenburn Road after receiving a report of a male subject yelling for help. A man was found Saturday at 5:48 p.m. with a disabled vehicle.

A vehicle accident was reported Saturday at 5:02 p.m. on Highway 299 about one mile east of Day Road.

A verbal fight between a man and woman was reported Saturday at 4:09 p.m. at the 25100 block of Reynolds Road in Fall River Mills.

A vehicle with a loud stereo was reportedly causing a noise disturbance Saturday at 8:29 a.m. near Siskiyou and Plumas streets in Burney.

Dennis Atteberry reported Friday someone stole chainsaws from the back of his pickup parked on the side of the Round Mountain store.

Deputies arrested Steven Milner on warrants Friday at 1:32 p.m. at the 20300 block of Arrowood Street in Burney.

Deputies cited and released Johnny Raymond Lego Friday at 1:10 p.m. at the 38000 block of Main Street in Johnson Park.

A Burney woman reported Friday at 7:36 a.m. being assaulted by her ex-boyfriend at the 37400 block of Toronto

Avenue.

A structure was reported fully engulfed on fire near the Head Start School in Johnson Park Friday at 2:23 a.m.

Alicia reed of Burney reported an unknown subject forced her off the road Thursday.

A Burney caller reported a vehicle parked on Tamarack Road Thursday at 1:19 p.m. and a subject lying on the

hood for three hours.

A landlord and ex-tenant dispute was reported at the 20100 block of Hudson Street in Burney Thursday at 10:41 a.m.

Darcie Newman reported Thursday morning someone scratched writing into the driver's side door of a vehicle parked at the 37400 block of Enterprise Drive in Burney.

Deputies arrested Johnny Brooks March 27 in Round Mountain on a Solano County warrant.

Bill Hovis of Burney wanted to file a missing person's report on Joe Bruce of McArthur since he hadn't heard from him in more than a week.

## Preliminary hearing slated for April 12

The preliminary hearing for Kristi Lunbery, 32, of Burney, was reset to April 12 as the court system determines who can represent her without a conflict of interest.

Lunbery has been charged with the 1992 murder of her then-husband Charlie Bateson, who was shot while sleeping in their home on Fir Street.

She has since remarried and has three children.

The nine-year-old case was never solved and remained cold until last December, when detectives conducted another interview with Lunbery and charged her.

She was released on \$250,000 bail shortly after her arraignment.

Her first public defender declared a conflict of interest. Her case was turned over to Jeff Jens, a conflict public defender, and a preliminary hearing was set for March 27.

"Jens's office wanted more time to be sure there is not a conflict of interest," said a clerk in Shasta County Superior Court.

If enough evidence is presented to go to trial, a date is set at the preliminary hearing.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### The day I found my Angel

Editor:

To Jessica Flath: I've liked you for a while and my heart skips a beat when I see you smile, and when I looked in your eyes adoring. I asked you if you would be my lady...when you said yes, I fell into bliss, and my heart melted when we kissed.

Sometimes I go crazy cause I need you, Baby. For you I always longed, and you know I couldn't treat you wrong.

It is obvious, for others to see that you and I were meant to be. I don't see why we should disagree, because you are my everything.

One day you will wear my ring, become my wife, and forever change my life.

-Randal Bingham  
North Plains Oregon

### Thank you

Editor:

We want to thank Dr. Tom Watson, the emergency room staff at Mayers Hospital, the Burney Fire Department's EMT's for the professional medical care given and the Intermountain community for all the cards, flowers, prayers, food, love and kindness shown to our family in the home going of our beloved husband, father and son.

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Friday - April 12th at the Janesville Fire Station.  
Saturday - April 13th at the Bieber Fire Station.  
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Classes will begin at 9 a.m. and will end at approximately 5 p.m. Any questions you may have regarding the CDF hired equipment program will be addressed at these training sessions.



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## Students for GATE program sought

Applications are being taken for fifth through eighth grade Northstate Gifted and Talented Education (GATE) students interested in attending the Camp Latieze Science Camp this summer.

The camp is located on 163 acres of forest at the base of Lassen Peak near Lassen Volcanic National Park and the program is offered by the Shasta County Office of Education.

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# Prop 10 monies to aid Burney library program

—From Page 1

The Shasta Children and Families First Commission funded the grant through Proposition 10, the tobacco tax initiative that promotes early childhood programs for prenatal to age five.

Emry said each Shasta County branch library would develop the program so that it provides early childhood information, parent education, emergent literacy, socialization and family support.

The idea is to "create spaces where young children and their care givers can play and learn together."

Each library's Family Place site would offer a five-week Parent/Child Workshop involving both toddlers and their parents or caregivers, featuring toys, books, art supplies and useful information for parents.

"Parents register for the weekly workshops, which will feature discussions by a local expert, such as a nutritionist discussing diet and snacks for children or a speech and hearing specialist who would talk about language development," Emry said.

Workshops also have time for stories, songs, and snacks.

"We want to expand services for families and young children so that the library becomes an important place for youngsters to come and also for parents, who we hope will feel comfortable coming to the library for their lives beyond their children's," she said.

The Family Place Library grant will help the library branches provide interactive early childhood learning spaces with books, toys, videos and computers and a resource center for caregivers.

Another goal is outreach to new and non-traditional library users, especially parents and very young children.

The Redding branch will develop its program in the first year of the grant.

The Burney branch is next.

"Our target date for Burney is in the fall of 2003 and spring of 2004," Emry said.

The Family Place Library grant is also funding the salary and benefits for a Redding-based Family Place

Coordinator, who would visit each branch, Emry said. The position is currently being advertised.

Shasta County Library applied for the funding in conjunction with New Library Now! in Redding and on March 13 the Shasta County Board of Supervisors approved the award.

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## Lady Cardinals move to 4-0 in Evergreen League

By WES HATCHER

The Big Valley Cardinal softball team is scheduled to host the Dunsmuir Tigers in Adin April 12.

The lady Cardinals Moved to 4-0 in the Evergreen League with two wins coming in Tulelake last Thursday and two wins coming in Big Valley against Butte Valley March 26.

Against Tulelake Cardinal pitcher Tristen Salters led the team to a 14-2 win, throwing three strikes, four hits and four walks.

Cyndie Juranits hit 3-3 and had three runners batted in while teammates Luena Harbert, Jennifer Dowell and Jamie Hawkins all hit 2-4 with Harbert adding a lead off home run in the 5th inning.

In the second game against Tulelake the Cardinals took the win 14-5.

Pitcher Tristen Salters took the win throwing two walks and was relieved in the fourth inning by Jamie Hawkins who threw three strikes and three walks, together both pitchers gave up 10 hits.

Juranits, Salters and Harbert all hit 4-5 while Hawkins hit 2-5 with a triple in the fifth inning.

Holly Baker also hit 2-4 for the Cardinals.

Against Butte Valley the Cardinals took the win in the first game 10-0, with winning pitcher Jamie Hawkins striking out 8 batters and only letting three hits slide.

Cyndie Juranits hit 3-3, hitting two singles and a triple while teammates Hawkins hit 3-4 and Summer DeForest hit 1-1.

In game two against Butte Valley the lady Cardinals won 11-5.

Pitcher Hawkins gave up five hits in three innings and three walks while Salters came up with the save in the bottom of the fourth, throwing 4 strikes and giving up two hits.

Stacie Juranits hit 2-2 while Jennifer Tucker hit 2-3 with 3 RBI's and Luena Harbert hit 2-4.

The Cardinals are now 4-0 in league and 6-1 overall with two scrimmage losses to Fall River.

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## The Fall River Golf men's club 2002 season schedule

Sunday April 14 1PM Two Man Scramble  
 Sunday April 28 1PM Two Man Better Ball  
 Sunday May 11 8AM Stroke Play Net and Gross  
 Sunday May 19 1PM Two Man Green Ball  
 Sunday June 9 8AM Net Gross and Red Tee  
 Sunday June 23 8AM 2 Man 3 Way Challenge  
 Sunday July 14 8AM Stroke Play Net and Gross  
 Sunday July 21 1PM 4 Man Scramble Blue Tee  
 Sunday Aug. 4 8AM Stroke Play Net and Gross  
 Sunday Aug. 18 8AM Skins Game  
 Sunday Sept. 8 1PM 1st Round Club Championship  
 Sunday Sept. 15 1PM 2nd Round Club Championship  
 Sat Oct. 5 Reno Trip Peppermill / Lakeridge  
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 Match play not scheduled, sign up later  
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 Call Aaron Phipps for comments or suggestions at 335-3506  
 Come join the men's golf club for fun and competition.  
 To become a member, contact Bob Hayes at the Golf course 336-5555.

## B.V. defeats Honkers in 2 games

By WES HATCHER

The Big Valley Cardinal boys baseball team host's Dunsmuir in Bieber April 12, for their second league match up.

Last Thursday the Cardinals defeated the Tulelake Honkers in two games with scores of 14-2 and 6-5.

Winning pitcher David Leventon threw 7 strikes and walked five, as the Cardinals hit 10 times scoring 14 runs in the first game.

Blake Oney batted 2-4, hit two singles and got three RBI's while JC Hunsaker hit 2-2 with two doubles and got 1 RBI.

David Leventon also added a double and a single batting 2-3 good for 2 RBI's

while Tom Carter hit 1-1 and added a double.

Tel Fuffer, Victor Dowell and Chris Jones all got one hit for the Cardinals.

In the second game the Cardinals took the win 6-5 with winning pitcher Juan Escalante throwing 4 strikes and no walks while Leventon came up with the save, throwing one strike and 2 walks.

Oney hit 2-3 with two singles while Leventon hit 2-2 with 2 RBI's and Tom Carter hit 1-2.

Trae Carpenter also hit 2-3 and got one RBI.

The varsity cardinal baseball team is now 2-0 in league play and 4-3 overall.

## District one places 2nd at challenge of champions rodeo

By WES HATCHER

The District one California High School Rodeo sent a strong squad to the Challenge of Champions in Plymouth Ca. March 22-24, where the Dist. one team place second behind the Salinas area's District 4.

Burney's Tori deBraga finished third in the barrel-racing event and competed in the pole-bending event.

Luena Harbert of Bieber placed eighth in the break-away roping event and placed 11 in the girls cutting

event along with Wendy Bruce of Los Molinos who finished 12th.

Blaire Bidwell of Hat Creek finished 7th in the goat tying event in two runs with times of 10.28 and 10.23.

Kallie DeAtley also competed in the tying event.

Victor Madrigal and Greg Carter both competed in the bull-riding event but failed to qualify for the finals.

Chad Bidwell of Hat Creek also competed in the calf-roping event.

## Bulldog and Raider golfers place fourth and sixth in Weaverville

By WES HATCHER

The Burney and Fall River High School golf teams are scheduled to travel to the Mt. Shasta Resort, Thursday April 11, to compete in the third Shasta Cascade League golf match this season.

The Raider and Bulldog teams competed and placed among eight teams,

Thursday March 28 at the Trinity Alps golf course in Weaverville on a warm calm spring day.

Craig Taylor led the Bulldogs to a fourth place finishing with an 18 hole score of 76, good for eighth place among the individual medallists.

Fall River's Jake Massa finished with 80 followed by

Cody Jones who hit an 89 over the 18 holes followed by Brandon Beck who shot a 90 for the match.

Burney Raider Shane Prigmore shot an 83 leading his team to a sixth place finish

Burney's Jeff Wand also shot his career best of 95 to help his team place.

"The course was a short

3456 yards for the 18 holes but difficult at that with many hazards and well guarded greens," Raider coach Fred Gideon stated.

The Mt. Shasta team took first in the first nine-hole competition and tied with Modoc in the second nine-hole match.



## Après-ski

Seventy-six snowboarders and three skiers participated in the Burney Junior-Senior High School Ski Program at Mt. Shasta this season. The program was coordinated by Teresa Covey and Julie Kingsbury (seated in front row), and with help from about 15 parent chaperones, including Rick Dennis, at left in second row.

PHOTO / Anna Stickland

## Ladies club begins play at golf course

By SHIRLEY McARTHUR

The golf course is open. Does this mean winter is over? We doubt it. In the meantime, the ladies club has begun the season with a great turnout on April 2. After the play of the day, we had our first meeting of the year.

Four of our ladies are preparing for PWGA North Central qualifying at Gold Hills on April 22.

Ladies Day is every Tuesday at 9 a.m. Come on our and make some great new friends.

## Covanta files bankruptcy

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Covanta also provides airport services in the area of cargo handling and refueling, that it likewise wishes to sell.

In another matter, Covanta has sold two co-generation plants in Thailand for \$35 million, one in Saha and the second in Rojana.

Scott G. Mackin, Covanta president and chief executive officer, said bankruptcy was the best move for the company.

"We have painstakingly reviewed and pursued all options outside of a Chapter 11 filing for quite some time now.

"Our core business - waste to energy, independent power production and water

- are strong," he said.

"However, the capital structure impediments left over from the no-core, former Ogden Corporation businesses, and the lack of access to the capital markets as a means by which to deal with them, have foreclosed other options," he said.

"We will become predominantly a domestic energy and water business allowing us to more efficiently focus our resources on the current operations and the expansion opportunities available to us in the U.S."

The company intends to maintain its qualified benefits programs for employees and to continue the current payroll schedule.

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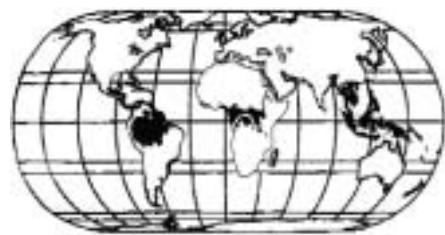
# The Mini Page

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By BETTY DEBNAM

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## The Congo River Basin's African Rain Forest



### Tropical rain forests

Tropical rain forests are in areas of the world near the equator. The climate is warm and wet all year long. The average temperature is 81 degrees. The average yearly rainfall is 80 inches. Animals and plants thrive there. The plants are always green.

### The African rain forest

The African rain forest is the second-largest rain forest in the world. The largest one is the Amazon rain forest in South America. The third-largest rain forest covers much of southeast Asia.

The African rain forest has nearly 1,000 kinds of mammals and birds. There are at least 10,000 kinds of plants. It is the densest rain forest of them all.

### The Congo River

The mighty Congo River flows through the African rain forest. It is the fifth-longest river in the world. Only the Amazon River in South America has more water flowing through it. The Congo has many smaller rivers that empty into it and form an area called the Congo River Basin.

The Congo River has many waterfalls. It is unusual in that it has no delta, or flat, low plain that forms the mouth where the river flows into the ocean. The Congo empties into a deep ditch that stretches far into the Atlantic Ocean.



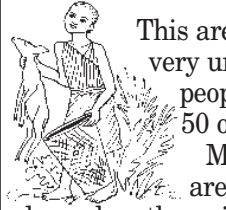
The African rain forest is home for some of the world's largest primates. Primates are mammals such as human beings and animals that are most like them. This includes the mandrills, colobus monkeys, guenons, and three of the world's great apes, including gorillas like the one pictured, in the exhibit Congo Gorilla Forest at the Bronx Zoo in New York.

### Congo rain forest problems

The Congo rain forest is in trouble for many reasons. Mining and timber companies have been cutting down trees at a very fast rate. To get to the trees and minerals they want, the companies build roads that cut across the forest. Hunters, merchants and other people use these roads to go deeper into the forest.

The Congo rain forest spreads into several countries. The governments of these countries are not strong, and the people fight among themselves in civil wars.

The animals in the rain forest cannot be protected when the governments are not strong enough to do so.



This area of the world is very undeveloped. Some people live as they did 50 or 100 years ago. Many African people are hunters. They depend on the animals they kill to survive. Their families have been hunting "bush meat" from animals such as antelopes for many years. In some areas, using a net to hunt is legal. In many cases, the animals are killed not for a family's food, but to be sold in markets far away from where they were killed. The logging trucks that travel out of the forest take the meat to faraway cities for sale.

The Mini Page thanks Amy Vedder, senior vice president for the Living Landscapes Program, the Wildlife Conservation Society, and Mary Record, communications, and Pat Thomas, curator of mammals, of the Bronx Zoo.

Go dot to dot and color this animal of the African rain forest. Can you find its photo in this issue?



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## Rookie Cookie's Recipe Mixed-Up Beans Casserole

### You'll need:

- 1/2 onion, chopped
- 1/4 cup ketchup
- 1 tablespoon mustard
- 1 (15-ounce) can kidney beans, drained
- 1 (15-ounce) can lima beans, drained
- 1 (15-ounce) can black beans, drained
- 1/4 cup brown sugar

### What to do:

1. Combine all ingredients in a casserole. Mix well.
  2. Bake in a preheated 350-degree oven for 45 minutes.
- Serves 6 to 8.



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### Gus Goodsport's Report Supersport: Peter Bondra

**Height: 6-0 Birthdate: 2-7-68**  
**Weight: 200 Birthplace: Luck, Ukraine**

Peter Bondra is in his 12th season playing with the Washington Capitals ice hockey team. He plays right wing.

Since joining the team in 1990, he has become the all-time leading scorer. So far he has scored more than 400 goals. Not many pro players have done that well.

His best game so far was five goals in a game in 1994. His best seasons were 1995-96 and 1997-98, when he scored 52 goals in each season.

Before coming to the United States, he played with the Czech League. At the 1998 Olympics in Nagano, he played for Team Slovakia.

When he moved here, he did not speak any English but is now fluent.

### Meet Aaron Carter

Aaron Carter, 14, began singing when he was 6. Now he is making records that become worldwide hits.

In elementary school, he and some friends formed a group called Dead End. After a while, he decided he wanted to sing alone, so he left the group and took vocal lessons. His first single came out in Germany in 1997.

Aaron grew up in Tampa, Fla., where his parents ran a retirement home. He has three sisters, including his twin, Angel. His older brother is Nick from the Backstreet Boys.

He now lives in Marathon, Fla. He likes riding boats, watching movies, and playing basketball and arcade games. Two of his favorite groups are Journey and N'Sync. He likes eating sushi.

### Mighty Funny's Mini Jokes

All the following jokes have something in common. Can you guess the common theme or category?

**Cathy:** Why did the crook drive away from the robbery in a laundry truck?  
**Perry:** So he could make a clean getaway!

**Zhan:** What did the thief say when he went to rob the glue factory?  
**John:** "This is a stickup!"

**Craig:** What type of music do convicts dance to?  
**Ahren:** Rock and parole!

### African Rain Forest TRY 'N FIND

Words and names that remind us of animals of the Congo are hidden in the block below. Some words are hidden backward or diagonally. See if you can find: CONGO, RAIN, FOREST, AFRICA, LOWLAND, GORILLA, MANDRILL, MONKEY, OKAPI, HOG, HORNBILL, FROGS, PYTHON, ANIMALS, SNAKE, BUGS, RIVER, PLANTS, HEAT, ZOO.

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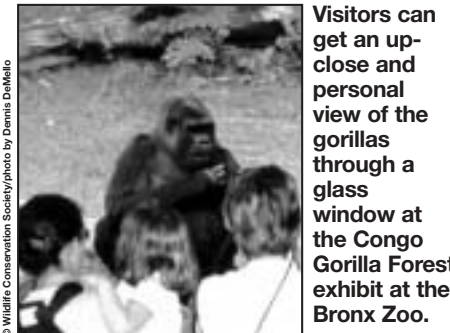
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### Mini Spy ...

Mini Spy and her friends are visiting an okapi at a zoo. See if you can find:

- frog
- comb
- needle
- letter J
- bell
- ruler
- question mark
- word MINI
- caterpillar
- safety pin
- heart
- cat
- saw
- pencil
- teapot
- football
- number 3
- elephant's head
- letter T

# Animals of Africa's Rain Forest



Visitors can get an up-close and personal view of the gorillas through a glass window at the Congo Gorilla Forest exhibit at the Bronx Zoo.

The Congo Gorilla Forest is the name of an exhibit at the Bronx Zoo, the largest city zoo in the United States. The Bronx is a borough, or part, of New York City. The exhibit is the largest African rain forest ever built. It includes a total of 400 animals from 55 species and 15,000 plants. The Mini Page thanks the Bronx Zoo for help with this story.



**Lowland gorilla**

A mature male is called a "silverback" for the grayish fur on its back.

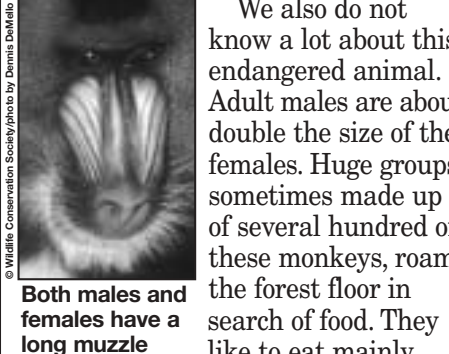
Though gorillas might look fierce, they are really gentle and very smart animals. They live in social groups led by a strong male. The group includes several females and their young. Gorillas usually live on the ground, but they may build a new nest to sleep in every night on the ground or in trees. They might live to be 50 years old. They eat vegetables and fruit, leaves and stems.



**Wolf's monkey**

Notice the black eye mask that goes across the Wolf's monkey's face.

Another name for the Wolf's monkey is the guenon. We do not know a lot about this monkey. We do know that it usually lives in small family groups made up of the parents and their offspring. This monkey eats fruit, leaves, flowers, nectar and insects.

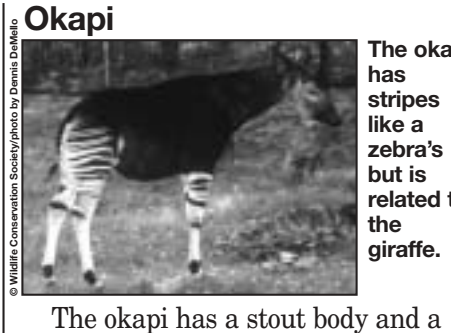


**Mandrill**

We also do not know a lot about this endangered animal. Adult males are about double the size of the females. Huge groups, sometimes made up of several hundred of these monkeys, roam the forest floor in search of food. They like to eat mainly leaves, fruits, nuts, seeds, roots and fungi.

**DeBrazza's monkey**

This monkey has a really long tail. It is longer than the body and head together. The DeBrazza's monkey uses its tail for balancing. It has vocal sacs that inflate and enable it to make booming calls.



**Okapi**

The okapi has stripes like a zebra's but is related to the giraffe.

The okapi has a stout body and a shorter neck than its giraffe relatives. The sides of its rump and the upper part of its legs have white stripes. The rest of its body is almost black. Males have small, hair-covered horns. Okapis wander about alone, in pairs, or in small family groups of mothers and offspring.



**Red river hog**

This hog has a long crest of white hair running down its back. These hairs stand on end when the hog is excited.

The red river hog has a long, bristly coat with black markings on its head. It has short, sturdy legs, a long snout, and short, sharp tusks. It hides in the forest during the daytime.

**African rock python**

This snake might weigh as much as 250 pounds.

The python can consume large animals such as antelopes, pigs, baboons and monkeys. It can grow to be more than 30 feet long.

The Bronx Zoo is a part of the Wildlife Conservation Society. The purpose of this group is to protect wildlife and wild lands throughout the world. Visit the Web site at: [www.wcs.org](http://www.wcs.org), then go to Bronx Zoo and Congo Gorilla Forest. Or visit: [www.kidsgowild.com](http://www.kidsgowild.com).



Faren Graham and Blaire Bidwell will represent the Intermountain Junior Rodeo Association.

## Junior rodeo pair want kids to give rodeo a try

Blaire Bidwell, of Hat Creek and Faren Graham of Bieber will represent IMJRA in the upcoming year.

At a recent contest held at the Intermountain Fairgrounds, Blaire Bidwell was selected IMJRA Queen for the year 2002.

Blaire is 15 years old, and a freshman at Fall River High School.

She is the daughter of Mark and Debbie Bidwell.

Faren Graham received princess for the year 2002.

Faren is also 15 years old, attends Big Valley high and is the daughter of Gary and Trish Graham.

They will be traveling to different rodeos and fairs

throughout the summer, extending invitations to our great Intermountain Rodeo and fair.

They encourage kids to give rodeo a try.

They both believe it is a great experience, where you meet lots of new friends and learn more about horsemanship as well as sportsmanship.

Clinics are being scheduled and RSVP's taken.

The first Gymkhana of the year will be April 14.

The famous Elk tickets are once again offered for raffle.

If you have any question about the association, tickets or events, phone Debbie Bidwell at 335-3093

## Gopher damage scoping comments accepted by April 8

The Doublehead Ranger District of the Modoc National Forest is proposing approximately 1400 additional acres for gopher baiting under the Long Damon Gopher Damage Control project.

The purpose of this project is to reduce gopher caused seedling mortality to a level permitting the successful reestablishment of ponderosa pine in areas burned in the 23,000 acre 1996 Long Damon fire.

The pocket gopher (*Thomomys* spp.) is the major vertebrate animal threatening reforestation success in these post-fire plantations.

Gophers are relatively common in timber stands, however the early successional vegetation that establishes after wildfire provides forage for an often-dramatic increase in their population.

As the pocket gopher population builds, they damage and kill tree seedlings and saplings by feeding on their roots, girdling and clipping stems.

The best time to use control methods is when populations are low and when trees are most at risk to damage by gophers.

Treating when populations are low uses less grain bait, is less expensive, minimizes damage to trees, and prevents gophers from building burrow systems, which could result in re-infestation later.

Research shows that a 90 percent reduction in the number of gophers in an area with high population leaves two to 10 times as many surviving seedlings as a 90 percent control in an area with a low gopher population (PNW-GTR-287).

Approximately 850 acres

were baited beginning in 2000 (Decision Memo for Long Damon Gopher Damage Management 2000). Post treatment monitoring showed a reduction in gopher damage in the areas baited.

No changes or effects were observed in bird and other mammal populations in these areas as a result of treatment.

Ongoing monitoring has now identified 11 additional plantations (about 1,400 acres) where pocket gopher mortality threatens plantation success and treatment is needed.

The proposed action would implement direct control of gophers through the use of hand baiting, the underground application of strychnine treated grain bait.

This is a commonly used and accepted method of gopher control in conifer plantations.

This project would improve seedling survival, reduce the need and cost for replanting and accelerate the development of forested stands in the burned area, that with time, will provide essential cover for mule deer and other wildlife habitat.

The purpose of this scoping is to identify any significant issues related to the proposed action.

Please respond to Anne Mileck, District Silviculturist at 530-233-8803 with comments or questions you may have regarding this project.

Written comments may be mailed to Anne Mileck, USFS, 800 W.12<sup>th</sup> St., Alturas, CA 96101.

To be of greatest help, comments should be received by April 8.



## Engagement announced

Bob and Susan Osborne of Burney announce the engagement of their daughter, Jeanne Osborne to Kevin Phillips, son of Rick and Vicki Phillips of Arroyo Grande. The couple will be wed May 18 in Chico. Jeanne is a 1996 graduate of Burney High School. Kevin graduated from Coastal Christian High School in 1994. Jeanne and Kevin graduated from Cal Poly in 2000. They are employed at Matson and Isom Accounting firm in Chico.

## Burney's community yard sale slated June 8

Burney's 8th Annual Community Yard Sale is set for Saturday, June 8.

Now is the time to start thinking about being a part of this event.

Chamber hours will be extended starting in April and the chamber can be contacted at that time for further information.

People in the outlying areas such as Fall River Mills

can contact Verla Cantu at 335-3160 for information regarding locations on Main Street in Burney and Johnson Park, as to where they can set up for a yard sale.

**Garage Sales are only \$5 in this paper**

## Request for comments on Ash Timber Sale

The Modoc National Forest is requesting comments addressing the proposed Ash Timber Sale located approximately six miles east of Adin.

The first objective of the project is to provide sawlog volume to the timber industry under the guidelines of the Sustained Yield Forest Management Act of 1944 and the policy statement for the Sustained Yield Unit of 1994.

The second objective is to reduce fuels and increase growth on the remaining trees through thinning and underburning.

The third objective is to repair and stabilize several ecosystem values through road closures, watershed repairs and juniper removal.

The treatments being proposed are:

Approximately 200 acres of regeneration harvests, using both clear cutting and shelterwood methods. The harvest areas will be tractor piled to remove slash and planted to pine trees.

Approximately 7,000 acres of combined thinning and overstory removal harvests. The thinning includes the removal of both small sawlogs and chips for biomass. The sawlogs and biomass may be sold through separate contracts depending on market conditions. Fuel treatments following these harvests will be accomplished by a combination of machine

piling, hand piling and underburning.

All harvesting will be done by tractor logging.

Some un-needed roads will be closed based on a roads analysis to be completed as part of the project.

Juniper trees will be cut or uprooted from approximately 1,000 acres in Ambrose Valley (T.39 N., R. 10E., sections 28, 29 and 33, T.38 N., R.10E., sections 3 and 4) to return the dry flat to a grass, bitterbrush and sage community.

The head cut in Hunsinger Draw (T.38 N., R. 10E., sections 15 and 22) will be repaired and the meadow restored. Fencing of the flat may be needed.

The work is planned to start in the fall of 2002.

The project is within the Big Valley Federal Sustained Yield Unit and is being managed based on the 1991 Modoc National Forest Land and Resource Management Plan.

The Sierra Nevada Forest Plan Amendment (2001) does not apply to the Sustained Yield Unit in regards to this project.

The public is encouraged to provide comments for this proposal to Sue Wheatley, Big Valley Ranger District, Post Office Box 159, Adin, CA 96006 or phone (530) 299-3215, by April 5.

## State tax information available 24 hours

With a few weeks to go, before the state income tax filing deadline, the Franchise Tax Board is announcing a wide range of public services to assist taxpayers.

FTB's award-winning website [www.ftb.ca.gov](http://www.ftb.ca.gov), is available around-the-clock, and is the fastest way to get current or prior year tax forms, publications, answers to frequently asked questions, information about other e-services, legal rulings and much more.

It is a popular site for those seeking state tax information, nearly three million visits a

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Taxpayers who are unable to access information on the Internet or automated phone service can call an FTB service agent at 800-852-5711.

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## Open house set at Shasta College

Shasta College's Economic and Workforce Development is holding an open house April 9 from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

It will explore nontraditional careers in Shasta County, at the Shasta Builders Exchange Training Center, 9533 Crossroads Drive.

This information-packed event titled, *Taking the Road Less Traveled*, will provide the opportunity to listen to a presentation by a Shasta College counselor, meet a representative from women in construction, learn more about the upcoming Ladies' Construction Boot Camp, and talk to people currently employed in nontraditional careers.

Contact Rhyanne or Linda at 245-7366 or 245-7349 for more information or to register for the camp.

## Caregivers workshop scheduled for April 4

Shasta College's Kinship Care Education program, administered by Northern Valley Catholic Social Service, is holding a monthly Grandparent and other Relative Caregivers Workshop and Discussion Group on Thursday, April 4 from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. at the Intermountain Community Center, 37477 Main Street in Burney.

Kinship Care Providers (relatives caring for children) join Shasta College's Kinship Care Education representatives addressing the diverse

and unique issues facing relative caregivers.

This month's topic is "Dealing With The Birth Parents." Classes are free. Refreshments are provided.

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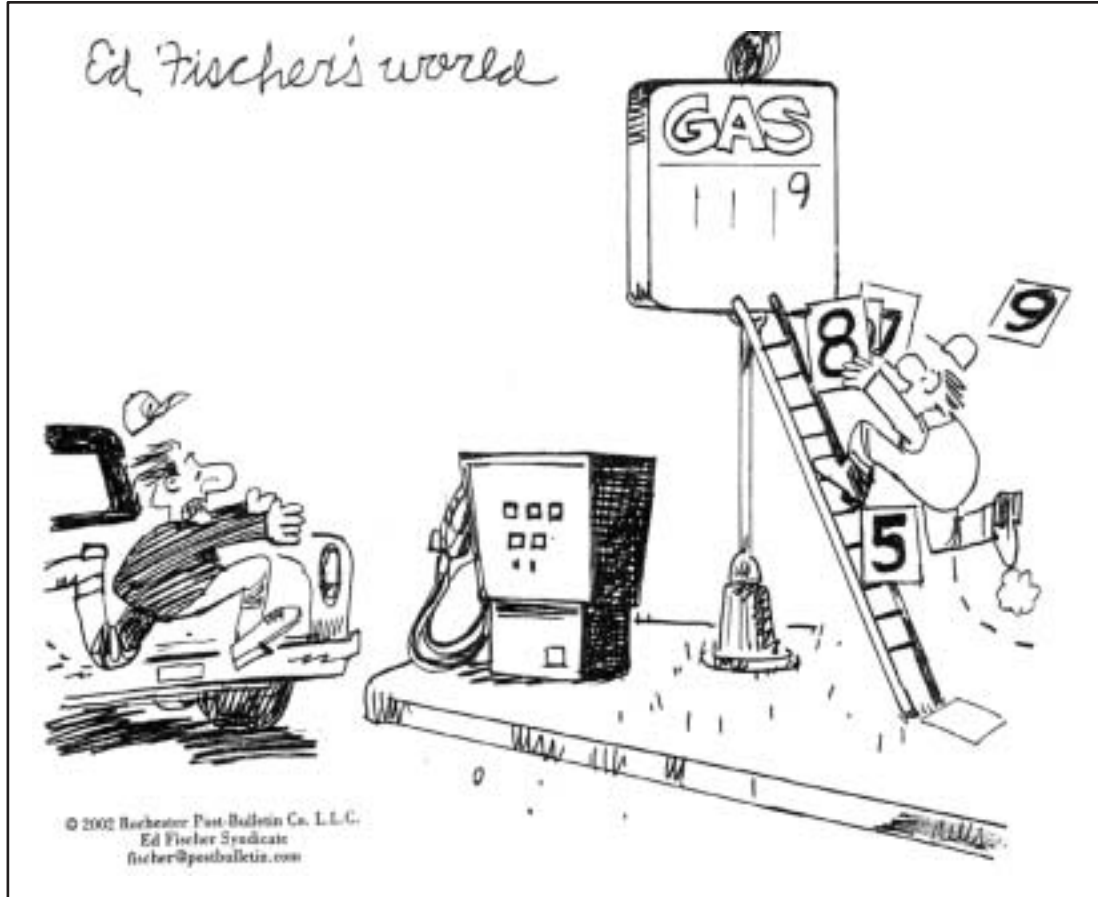
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Published March 13, 20, 27, April 3, 2002

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 File No. 2002-0000331  
 March 18, 2002

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 File No. 2002-0000214  
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- ACROSS**  
 1. Miles away  
 5. Aspiring atty.'s hurdle  
 9. Have a tryst  
 14. Japanese soup  
 15. Water color?  
 16. Nancy's rich friend  
 17. Booting out, of sorts  
 20. Prefix with hazard  
 21. Skip over  
 22. Elegant displays  
 23. In sync  
 25. VCR option  
 26. Went underground  
 27. No-goodnik  
 28. One of three B's  
 32. Do a cakewalk  
 35. Dog, astronomically  
 37. \_\_\_ Tom  
 38. Detailed explanation, of sorts  
 41. Bush spokesman  
 42. Moth-eaten  
 43. Meet segment  
 44. '30s political organization  
 46. Name of 13 popes  
 47. \_\_\_ Dawn Chong  
 48. Half the checkers  
 50. Lithography notable  
 54. Give one's word  
 57. Correspondent Brit  
 58. Dumfries denial  
 59. Hudson River crossing

Unknowns

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- DOWN**  
 1. Unicellular critter  
 2. Mr. \_\_\_ (handyman)  
 3. Race site since 1711  
 4. Outback bounder  
 5. Hightailed it  
 6. Calamari  
 7. Em, to Dorothy  
 8. Mai \_\_\_  
 9. Noted business publisher  
 10. Place to soak  
 11. The Queen: Abbr.  
 12. Sunburn soother  
 13. Jillions  
 18. Early ironclad  
 19. Bureau or union preceder  
 24. "Nope!"  
 25. Actor Patinkin  
 27. Bel \_\_\_ (operatic style)  
 29. "Even \_\_\_" speak ...  
 30. "High Hopes" lyricist  
 31. Knuckleballer Wilhelm  
 32. Wild guess  
 33. Drive-\_\_\_ window  
 34. Bit attachment  
 35. Phoebe of "Gremlins"  
 36. Ballerina Moira  
 39. Thoreau's pond  
 40. Partner of anon  
 45. Peaches, plums and such  
 47. "West Side Story" dustup  
 49. Wipe clean  
 50. Inform, informally  
 51. Hardly major, as record labels go  
 52. Duffer's miracle  
 53. Needs a bath badly  
 54. Slightly  
 55. Kemo \_\_\_  
 56. Trip to nowhere  
 57. Blood: Prefix  
 60. Meditative sect  
 61. An end to sex?

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